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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) <u>A device</u> Device allowing able-bodied or handicapped persons to learn to practise roller skating, skateboarding, ice skating, skiing on snow and on artificial pistes, swimming <u>and</u> horse riding, characterised in that it comprises comprising:

carriers each including at least one (1) or (27) which are composed of posts (5) or (29) which supporting a cross-pieces (2) or (28), under which;

at least one rails (11) and (34) are held supported by the cross-pieces of the carriers; on which

roller type carriages <u>adapted to</u> ean move freely and with a rolling action <u>on</u> the at least one rail; to which carriages there are attached the

straps (35) or (53) attached to the carriages; which are connected to the harnesses (40) or (52), connected to the straps;

obstacles (42) or (43) which are arranged or provided under the at least one rails; (11) or (34),

seats (44) which are each provided with two hollow indentations (45) and having an inclined bottom, the seats allowing the persons to put on their skates and to attach their the straps (35) or (53) to the harnesses; (40) or (52),

signalling strips (51) which are arranged on the ground and which serve serving to guide the a partially sighted or blind persons; and

a device (46) which comprises comprising a sensor (47) which activates activating an audible signal (49), whose having a tone is different that differs depending on the type of obstacles (42) or (43),

the carriages (54) having inclined plates (55) and (56) which hold holding the straps (53), the straps connected to the attachment points (41) of the harnesses (52).

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- 2. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein the posts (5) can be replaced with posts (29) which hold a self-supporting cross-piece (28).
- 3. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 2, eharacterised in that wherein the posts (5) or (29) can be are telescopic and adapted for with locking in the a desired position.
- 4. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein each of the rails (11) and (34) can be is curved in accordance with more or less large radii.
- 5. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein each of the rails (34) are is curved and to substantially conform to the shape of the obstacles (42) and (43).
- 6. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein the carriages (20) and (54) are in include two portions which are kept assembled by the bolts (25), the bolts allowing them the carriage portions to be mounted directly on the rails (11) or (34).
- 7. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 6, characterised in that wherein the carriages (20) or (54) are motorised and remote-controlled.
- 8. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> according to claim 1, eharacterised in that wherein the straps (35) and (53) comprise a resilient portion.
 - 9. (Canceled)

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10. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 1, characterised in that <u>wherein</u> an audible signal which is activated when the <u>a</u> user passes is arranged at a given distance from each obstacle (42) or (43).

11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently Amended) <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 1, eharacterised in that <u>wherein</u> the person uses two straps (53) which are each connected to a carriage (54), each carriage (54), the carriages running on a different <u>assembly</u> of rails (11) and (34).

13. (Canceled)